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15. In a method of heat treating rod, bar and block [bar, blocks and other] tool steel workpieces the steps of

providing a heat treatment furnace of a size suitable to receive such a tool steel workpiece to be heat treated,

providing a heat source\in the interior of the furnace consisting of a source of infrared heat energy,

subjecting the tool steel workpiece to heat treatment by exposing said tool steel